

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE
ARIZONA GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION COUNCIL
DATA COMMITTEE – NATURAL RESOURCES WORK GROUP**

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A public meeting of the Arizona Geographic Information Council was convened April 14, 2020 at 10:00 AM on Webex. Present at the meeting were the following members or designees of the AGIC Data Committee-Natural Resources Work Group:

Table 1: Work Group Voting Members

Member	Agency/Company	In Attendance
Glen Buettner, Co-chair	AZ Dept of Water Resources	Yes, phone
Jeremy Johnson, Co-chair	Matrix New World	Yes, phone
Robert Davis	Quiet Creek	Yes, phone
Ben Hickson	PAG	Yes, phone
Sharisse Flatt	BLM	Yes, phone
Keith Larson	USDA/NRCS	Yes, phone
Jenna Leveille	AZ State Land Department	Yes, phone
Elisabeth Van Der Leeuw	Pima County	Yes, phone

Table 2: Public At-Large

Name	Agency/Company	In Attendance
Jay Corum	US Bureau of Reclamation	Yes
Susan Craig	ASU	Yes
Drew Decker	US Geologic Survey	Yes
Jim Downey	DFFM	Yes
Wolfgang Grunberg	DFFM	Yes
Cassia Harmes	Yavapai County	Yes
Doug McCarty	ADEQ	Yes
Tayna Owens	Westland Resources	Yes
Stephanie Sherwood	True North Mapping	Yes

- I. **Call to order:** Meeting was called to order at 10:03 am; Introductions were made by the committee; around the table and on the phone, ensuring attendance list was managed and quorum established.
- II. **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:** February meeting minutes were distributed prior to the meeting. Members were provided an opportunity to make corrections. A motion to approve the meeting minutes was made by

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Jeremy Johnson, seconded by Ben Hickson. Motion passed unanimously.

- III. **Announcements:** Jenna announced that the AGIC Education & Training Symposium may possibly be cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic. She also showed the group the recently developed COVID initiative on the AZGeo platform. This site provides geospatial resources related to the pandemic (<https://azgeo.az.gov/covid>).
- IV. **Data Committee Report:** Jenna reported on the Data Committee meeting from April 8. She included highlights from the Council leadership retreat and the NSGIC mid-year meeting. She announced that the NAIP Geotiff files have been delivered but delayed in creating the service due to work at home orders; the SID files by county are available to download. Land will create and make available the imagery service as soon as possible. Jenna also shared that PAG is working on a BAA for possible lidar acquisition in FY 20/21. They are coordinating stakeholders currently. USGS is providing a cost estimate for the AOI. If anyone is interested, please contact Jenna or Ben Hickson.
- V. **February Meeting Follow Up:** Glen Buettner reported on the following updates from the prior meeting:
- **AZ Hydrological Data Workshop Status:** The workshop has been postponed due to COVID-19 pandemic. The group discussed the possibility of creating a recording or hosting a webinar. Doug added that facilitation is difficult in a webinar environment, but individual presentations could be done and recorded instead. Drew added that USGS could host the meeting on Zoom, though agreed that collaboration would be difficult. Glen suggested reaching out to the people who registered for the in-person event to get their preference to either wait and see if the event can be hosted in person or switch to a webinar format. Jenna agreed that a webinar could work as participation in web meetings has increased over the last month. It was proposed to find out if the presenters are available for a webinar in the next few weeks; ADWR and ADEQ would be available. The group would still need to check with USFS; Glen will reach out to Candace. Ben commented that it would be useful to post information to the AGIC website as a resource list or story map after the webinar. Glen and Jenna discussed whether there was room on the website; agreed that there was likely room for this information. The group suggested that the

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planning team should meet to coordinate in the first few weeks of May. Jenna will send out a doodle poll for the planning team meeting.

- **2020 Goal/Project Review:** This is a standing item. Discussion led by Glen Buettner. It was mentioned that some of these activities could be impacted by COVID.

- i. **Data Coordination:** AZGeo Group – Kara Jensen & Wolfgang volunteered to help. Jenna will reach out to the development team to find out about timing.

- ii. **Collaboration Forum:**

Natural Resources is on track for 2020 AGIC Symposium. We have enough content for a half day; can't do much until conference committee & Council decide if the conference will take place.

The goal to host two or more workshops or events in 2020. One will be the Hydrographic Data Webinar. A project-based event/webinar is the other event agreed on. Elisabeth volunteered to lead coordination of this effort. She will follow-up with Jenna to discuss options.

Gerardo is not on the call, but the group discussed leveraging a survey to develop the resource directory (w/ X Watershed Network). The group also talked about possible web map development and will reach out to Gerardo to verify status and possible presentation at the next meeting.

Group discussion of support for the upcoming summer fire season. Wolfgang share that DFFM is using the remote environment on AGOL and working with AZGeo to leverage better cost for credit use. He is working to develop a vegetation and planned treatment tracking mechanism with DEMA and web EOC software. He is hopeful this fills the gap for update procedures.

VI. **Information or Topics for Future Meetings:**

Next meeting is scheduled for June 11th, 2020, from 10:00 am to 11:30 am.

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Keith Larson shared that there was a multiagency meeting in late February which focused on providing a rangeland dashboard led by USFS. He thought that there was a lot of information that would benefit NR industry – drought, production, vegetation, stock tank levels – it would be beneficial for this group to view the finished product and possibly contribute.

Drew mentioned the seasketch announcement on AGIC-L and the information on planned or prospective lidar project.

Round table on recent projects is desired for future meetings.

VII. **Adjourn:** 10:51am